COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

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In the Matter of

JOHNSON COUNTY GAS CO., INC.) CASE NO. VAN LEAR, KENTUCKY) 8235

ORDER

On May 26, 1983, Johnson County Gas Company, Inc., ("Johnson County Gas"), by counsel, filed its Motion for Continuance of the formal conference scheduled May 27, 1983, at 11:00 a.m., Eastern Daylight Time, in the Commission's offices at Frankfort, Kentucky.

The Motion states that Johnson County Gas, Columbia Gas of Kentucky, Inc., ("Columbia Gas"), and the Department of Local Government ("DLG"), met in Lexington, Kentucky, on May 23, 1983, and that several proposals for the ultimate rehabilitation of Johnson County Gas and the payment of its past accounts were discussed. The Motion further states that counsel for Columbia Gas and DLG expressed some interest in the proposals of Johnson County Gas but would have to refer to the respective managements for guidance; therefore, it is anticipated that additional time would be required before any of the participants could factually report to the Commission.

Upon receipt of the Motion, the Commission, because of time constraints, contacted, by telephone, the participants who attended the meeting held May 23, 1983, and other interested parties, to determine whether there was an objection to the

Motion. Columbia Gas expressed an objection indicating that the proposals of Johnson County Gas were unacceptable, that this had been communicated to Johnson County Gas, and that Columbia Gas can factually report to the Commission.

The Commission, having considered the Motion and objection and being advised, HEREBY ORDERS that the Motion be and it hereby is overruled.

Done at Frankfort, Kentucky, this 27th day of May, 1983.

PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

Chairman

Kartheine Randall

Commissioner

ATTEST: